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DON'T FORGET ... Chamber of Commerce meets at noon tomorrow at the Empress!

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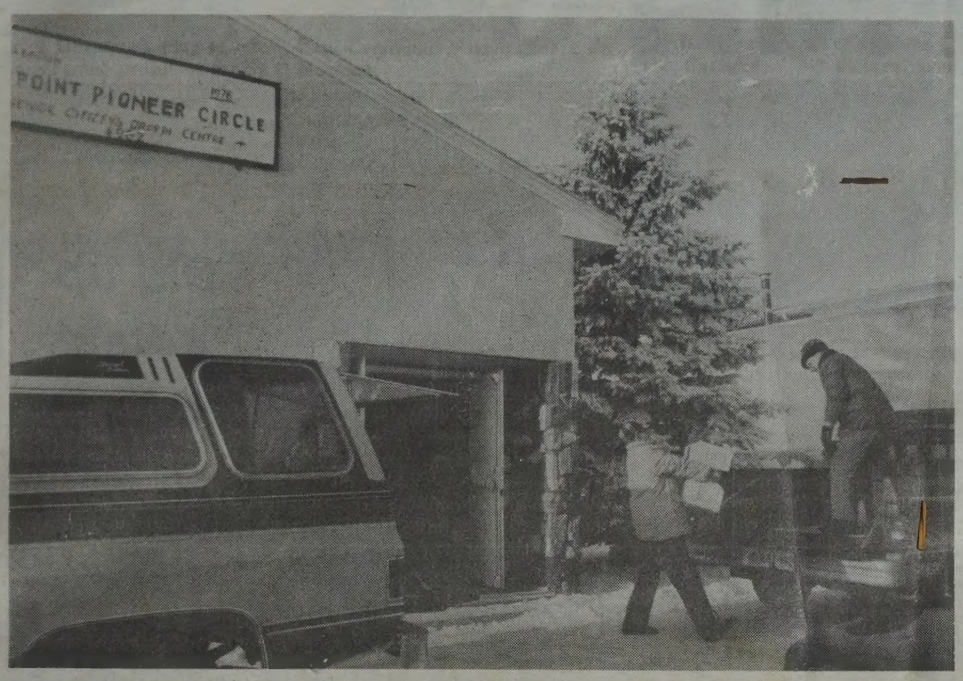

Moving Day For Pioneer Circle

Pioneer Circle seniors spent New Year's Eve packing and loading their furniture and equipment for the big move to their new Seniors Recreation Centre. The final event in the old hall was the December 30 bingo, with the first bingo for the new year, and the first event for the new centre, scheduled for last night.

Library system, director set to go

Long uphill climb to establishment

It's all systems go for the Northern Lights Library System headquarters in Elk Point. Director Heather West assumed her position Monday in the temporary headquarters located in the old courthouse and renovations to the building formerly occupied by Mark's Work Warehouse, which will house the permanent facility, will soon begin.

Adele Mandryk, vice-chairman of the Northern Lights Library System Board, told the Journal Friday that an architect has been hired for the renovation work which is expected to be complete by mid May.

One of the director's first duties will be to hire an office manager, a position which has been advertised by the board in recent weeks. Once the permanent facility is complete, the board will look at what degree of service will be provided in 1992 and additional staff will be hired accordingly. Once the system is totally operational the facility should employ between 10 and 12 people, according to Mandryk.

The system received a capital grant of $400,000 for the purchase of the permanent facility, renovation work and furnishings. A onetime establishment grant of $528,000 will be used to get the system up and running, covering the cost of automation, computers and other equipment. Membership fees for six months of 1991 at $1.75 per capita amount to over $200,000. This year's membership fees, yet to be collected, will be based on $3 per capita. The board is also awaiting word on its 1992 annual operating grant.

Mandryk admits it has been a long uphill climb to establish the system and is thrilled things appear to finally be falling into place.

"After 10 years of work, we're up and running. We're really positive we'll have a full service in 1992. It's a nice clean industry for Elk Point, a long-term one and a benefit to our region in general."

The system involves 15 member libraries in the Northeast.

No New Year's baby

The stork has stayed clear of Elk Point Municipal Hospital so far this year. A last minute call as we go to press reports no new arrivals in the nursery, and no births imminent. Stay tuned for the latest results in the stork derby next week. Last year's New Year's baby was a girl, born January 7, 1991, so perhaps today's the day!

1991 - The year in review

Another year has come and gone, bringing exciting developments, such as the news that Elk Point would become the home of the Northern Lights Library System headquarters, colorful events, such as the RCMP Musical Ride, and the making of history, in the unveiling of the 36 foot statue of Peter Fidler, as well as the day to day occurrances in the life of the community. Let's look back at some of the highlights...

JANUARY

The year started out with increases ranging from 50 percent to 600 percent in licence fees for businesses, trades and occupations operating in Elk Point. Brenda Paul of Bonnyville gave birth to Elk Point's New Year's Baby, a daughter, on January 7. Verona Lea Flanders took over the post of Further Education Coordinator as Gladys Drobot retired. Golf Club President Ed Buck visited Town Council to outline the Club's plans for expansion, and to suggest cooperation in the operation of various recreation land facilities. Canada Day planning got underway January 16, with plans for a bagpipe band, face painting and a petting zoo suggested at the first meeting.

Elk Point's first used oil recycling depot opened January 25, with representatives of the co-developers, the Provincial Government and Turbo Resources, on hand for the ribbon cutting ceremony. Town Council met with their St. Paul counterparts to discuss matters of mutual concern. Alberta Chamber of Commerce President Wilfred Barranoik was guest speaker at the Chamber of Commerce Annual Meeting, and officiated in the swearing in of 1991 President Dave Yake. Norcen Energy Resources announced plans for 35 new wells to be drilled in the area.

The community bid two sad farewells at the end of the month, as Ed and Annette Gregoraschuk closed the doors of their Macleods store after 27 years, and Pat Vincent left the Town's employ to take up a post in Slave Lake.

FEBRUARY

After much careful deliberation, and a 71 to 17 vote by the membership, Pioneer Circle's Board of Directors voted unanimously to purchase a building owned by Donna and Doug McPherson for their new Seniors Drop In Centre. Elk Point and District Lions Club celebrated their 20th anniversary with a well attended banquet and dance.

Elk Point Town Council took another look at plans for the proposed Community Cultural Centre, with indications that downsizing of the structure was being considered. Input from nine community organizations was gathered and discussed by the Building Society. Council studied a report on storm sewers and utility line upgrading, which estimated that Elk Point's needs could add up to as much as $1.7 million, and then might not solve all of the Town's drainage problems. Council also agreed to make a bid for the Northern Lights Library System Headquarters, when a previous NLLS motion to locate the headquarters in Vegreville was rescinded.

An upswing in Chamber of Commerce attendance resulted from holding a dinner meeting rather than the customary noon luncheon. Three groups from Elk Point presented briefs to the NADC at a public forum in St. Paul.

Elk Point Red Cross launched their annual campaign, with volunteer canvassers honored for their many years of service.

MARCH

Elk Point Chamber of Commerce streamlined their committee structure, and laid plans for a Junior Achievement program in Elk Point. 4-H Public Speaking was underway, with Daleen Gunderson and Lily Thomson winning in Heinsburg, Claudia Naber and Becky Allan topping the Elk Point MultiClub Speak-Off, and Bret Holthe, Jaylene Purdy and Kathy Stone winning the Saddle Slickers competition.

A $145,000 Community Facility Enhancement Program grant presented to the Pioneer Circle meant that that group's plans for a new seniors drop-in centre could go ahead. New Town Administrator Ken Kendall, formerly of High Prairie, was welcomed by Town Council. Elk Point Lioness Club sponsored a Theatre Evening featuring the Mannville Performing Arts Society in "Bye Bye Birdie." Heinsburg Community School sponsored a MultiCultural Week and explored the customs and cultures of many countries.

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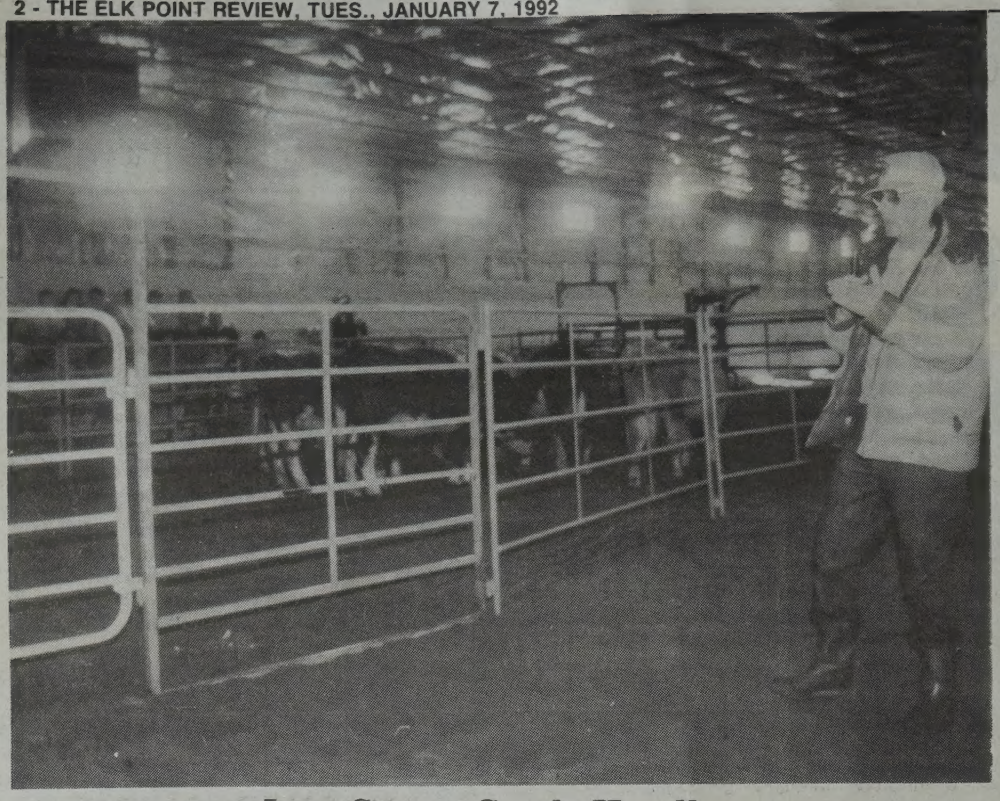
$15,000 For Expansion

Elk Point Minor Hockey is proud to provide the Elk Point Agricultural Society with $15,000 toward the dressing room expansion to the A. G. Ross Arena. Marshall Moroziuk of Minor Hockey made the presentation to Ag Society President Glenn Harms, and noted that the funds had been raised through Elk Point Minor Hockey Bingos.



Low Stress Cattle Handler

Bud Williams explained the tactics of low stress cattle handling to over 100 participants at last Friday's workshop in Elk Point. The afternoon session of the day long workshop was held in the roomy facilities of the Agricultural Society Show Barn at Elk Point Fairgrounds, and featured a demonstration of William's techniques.

Low stress requires "cowoperation"

Over a hundred members of farm families in Elk Point and surrounding areas took in a workshop on Low Stress Cattle Handling last Friday in Elk Point. The session was organized by Going For Gold Beef Group, which is made up of beef producers in the Elk Point and St. Paul areas, with the cooperation of Alberta Agriculture.

Bud Williams, a very knowledgeable cattle handler, was the guest speaker. The morning session in the Elks Hall featured introductory remarks by District Agriculturalist Kirsty Piquette, and dealt with the theory of cattle handling, giving insight on 'how to think like a cow.'

Following a very fine lunch at the Empress Restaurant, to which the Vermilion UFA made a generous donation, action moved to the Elk Point Fairgrounds, where a herd of heifers loaned by Gabe Bayduza awaited Williams' techniques. Bleachers in the Agricultural Society's new Show Barn were well filled with watchers as the patient cattle handler worked the herd gently toward the pens set up near the audience. The procedeure took time, and was made more difficult by the presence of the crowd, but the totally unruffled animals were eventually secured in the pen without undue stress put upon them.

Demonstrations of a calving pen, supplied by Vermilion UFA, Peter Veer's hoof trimming chute, and cattle handling pens and chute supplied by Hi Hog, finished out the afternoon.

Ray Danyluk, who helped to organize the event, thanked the Agricultural Society for getting their barn ready to host the workshop, although this took considerable volunteer work on weekends and over the Christmas holidays to accomplish.

A number of donors contributed to the workshop: Ray Murphy of HiHog, Peavy Mart, Shur Gain, St. Paul and District Co-Op, Northern Veterinary Services, Leo Koss, Prairie Seeds and Wowk's Fertilizer and Petroleum, in addition to Vermilion UFA.

Dig up a Real Bargain in the Classifieds

Dogsled mail run envelopes available by January 13

Canada Post's history-making Commemorative Dog Sled Mail Run is only a few weeks away. On February 15, hardy dogsled enthusiasts Richard and Diane Smith of Rocky Mountain House will hitch up their teams of Siberian Huskies and set off on a journey along historic routes as they transport a cargo of mail from the site of the original Edmonton House, near Bruderheim, to Buckingham House, east of Elk Point.

The mushers will be dressed in fur trade era clothing, and will camp out in whatever weather nature sees fit to deliver in mid-February as they travel along the North Saskatchewan River and through snow clad forest with their precious burden.

The bags they carry will be loaded with mail addressed to recipients at "Buckingham House, Rupert's Land, North America." Special commemorative envelopes for the mail run will be going on sale next week at the Bicentennial Headquarters and several Elk Point businesses, and will guarantee that particular letter will be part of the load. Issued in conjunction with Canada Post, the envelopes bear the Bicentennial logo, and the slogan 'Commemorative Mail Run, Edmonton House to Buckingham House, February 1992. This letter carried by dog team over a historic dogsled route.' Canada Post is providing a one or two cent stamp for each envelope, and no further postage is required. A sheet of matching paper is included, bearing the same information as the envelope, plus a map of the route the dogsleds will follow.

The envelopes are priced at $5, and are destined to become unique collectors' items. Similar envelopes from a dogsled mail run held in conjunction with the 1988 Fort Chipewyan Bicentennial are now trading at $55 to $85, according to the Canadian Stamp News.

Only 1000 envelopes are available, and each will bear numbering, '1 of 1000,' '2 of 1000,' and so on. The lower the number, the higher its value as a collector's item.

Once addressed and delivered to the Elk Point Post Office, the envelopes will be put in a special bag for transport to the departure point, where they will be cancelled with a special cachet created by Canada Post for the occasion, and marked with the departure date of February 15, 1992. A sendoff ceremony is scheduled for that day in Bruderheim, where Canada Post will hand over the special mail to the dogsledders and wish them a safe journey to Buckingham House. The general public is welcome to be on hand for the sendoff.

The Smiths hope, with good weather and travelling conditions, to arrive in Elk Point on Friday, February 21. When it reaches its destination, the dogsled mail will be postmarked with the arrival date and distributed to the waiting crowd.

February 21 will be a day of celebration of the historic dogsled journey. A Fur Trappers' Banquet, entertainment by the McDade Family Band and a dance are planned in honor of the event, with sponsorship by Amoco Canada, Canada Post and the Bicentennial Project.

No PTA in January

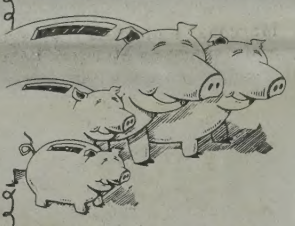
F. G. Miller High School will not be holding a Parent Teacher Association meeting this month. Instead, Principal Jim Hawkins recommends that parents attend a management and discipline workshop for parents which is being held at Elk Point Elementary School on January 16. Please call the Elementary School for more information.

Correction

The "speakers" referred to in the December 31 issue's coverage of Town Council are, in fact, one speaker of the human variety, who will be coming to speak to Elk Point seniors, rather than speakers for the public address system in the new Seniors Centre, as was inferred in the article. Community Services will be sponsoring this speaker.

Our apologies to Town Council and Community Services for this misinterpretation of the report.

HOW TO BE A LOCAL HERO



MAKE GIVING A FAMILY AFFAIR

Local Heroes know that when everyone in your family helps decide which causes to support, everyone shares in the rewards of giving.

Make giving a part of your family plans and family budget. You'll all be Local Heroes.

A New Spirit of Giving IMAGINE

A national program to encourage giving and volunteering

PYROGY SUPPER
January 15, 1992
From 5:00 to 7:00 p.m.
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Commemorative Mail Run
Edmonton House to Buckingham House
February 1992 - This letter carried by Dog Team over a historic dog sled trail

Community services news

LAST CHANCE TO REGISTER!

January 10, 1992 is the registration deadline for the 1992 Northeastern Alberta Winter Games. Teams and athletes who are interested in competing can register at Elk Point Community Services.

Passports for the Games are now available at Community Services for $5. These admission passports get you into any event at any time during the games.

WHY NOT

Why not join Elk Point's volunteer team to fill out straightforward tax returns for people who are unable to do it without help?

Free training takes place on Thursday, January 16 from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Lunch will be provided.

Teens to seniors are encouraged to volunteer for this vital community service. Cal 724-3800 to register or for more information.

PRIMARY COUNSELLING SKILLS WORKSHOP

The primary objective of the workshop is to develop communication skills useful in the helping relationship. Through discussions, films, role playing and other learning methods, participants will develop skills that help build effective interpersonal relationships.

This three day workshop will be held January 14, 15 and 16 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. in the AADAC Conference Room. The charge is $25. To register: phone 645-6346.

PREVENTATIVE MAINTAINENCE WORKSHOP

This workshop will provide information and rationale to participants on how important systematic care, servicing and inspection of equipment is to their facility. Simple suggestions for planning and organizing a preventative maintainence system, specific to arenas and curling rinks will be provided. The system is also easily adapted for all community halls, drop-in centres, etc.

overall, the workshop will concentrate on the importance of keeping equipment within the facility in serviceable condition, and how to detect and prevent early stages of failure.

The workshop will be held on Wednesday, January 22 from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. in the Town Office, Bruderheim. The fee is $5.35 and the registration deadline is January 15, 1992. Early registration is encouraged. Call Elk Point Community Services at 724-3800 to register or for more information.

TIDBITS

A helping hand is the nicest way
To brighten someone else's day.

-Betsey Clark

Reaching out to someone new
Can mean another friend for you.

-Betsey Clark

Ag. society roping practices

After many hours of hard work and volunteer labor, the Elk Point Ag. Society's new Agricultural Arena is now ready for its winter program. Starting Sunday, January 12, a bi-weekly roping practice schedule will be held in the arena every Wednesday evening at 7:00 p.m. and Sunday afternoons at 1:00 p.m. If anyone is interested in roping this winter you are encouraged to come out Sunday to find out more information. A tentative fee schedule has been discussed but will not be formalized until the first meeting on Sunday. Anyone interested in practicing barrel racing or pole bending etc., are welcome to come on Sundays also, as time has been scheduled from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. before the roping session begins and on Wednesday evenings from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. A Monthly Barrel and Pole Bending Jackpot has been formalized with more information announced in next week's paper.

The total riding area in the new arena is 200' by 85' with an additional 45' at the end for a standing and spectator area with a big overhead heater to take the chill off. There is also a heated coffee room inside. Spectators are always welcome and we encourage any beginner ropers or riders to come out as this is the perfect opportunity to learn and have fun with lots of experienced help on hand. For more information on the arena please call 724-2560.

Elks edge Neilburg 5-4

Elk Point Senior Elks chalked up a road trip victory over Neilburg Monarchs Saturday night, with two goals apiece by Rick Marcoux and Kerry Loughran and a single by Murray Cochrane adding up to a 5 - 4 final score.

The Elks were in control throughout the game, with the Monarchs tying the score three times, but the outstanding efforts of Elk Point netminder Duane Wolanuk rendered the opposition unable to pull ahead. Elk Point led by two goals as the end of the game approached, but a final Neilburg goal with two minutes to go narrowed the gap to a single point.

Elk Point Senior Elks Player Statistics

No.	Player	GP	G	A	PTS	PIM
3	Marcoux, R.	13	13	10	23	14
18	Loughran, K.	13	10	12	22	40
9	Cochrane, M.	9	12	8	20	26
21	Mevel, S.	12	8	8	16	8
12	Desaulniers, G.	10	2	13	15	18
4	Wozniak, T.	13	1	12	13	12
77	Lamoureaux, P.	6	5	6	11	10
8	Jenner, J.	10	4	7	11	20
7	Buck, J.	12	2	5	7	66
14	Rheaume, G.	9	3	3	6	13
10	Jean, R.	13	4	1	5	18
11	Vinge, J.	8	2	3	5	19
15	Loughran, A.	8	3	1	4	28
69	Wozniak, J.	5	2	2	4	4
8	Campbell, K.	4	1	3	4	4
17	Lesyk, W.	8	1	3	4	24
16	Harms, R.	10	2	1	3	4
77	Ference, M.	6	2	1	3	34
14	LaBoucane, C.	3	1	1	2	22
22	Boratynec, M.	4	1	1	2	9
69	Dery D.	8	0	2	2	6
	Zarowny, E.	1	0	1	1	0
21	Kubista, T.	4	0	0	0	16
	Collins, C.	2	0	0	0	6
			MP	GA	GAA	
30	Scott, M.	11	650	54	4.98	
35	Charlton, J.	2	120	6	3.00	
35	Wolanuk, D.	1	10	1	6.00	

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Deborah Grey, M.P.
Beaver River Alberta

Constituency Tour

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Place -- Elk Point Community Services Building
Date -- Wednesday, January 15, 1992
Time -- 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. - PUBLIC MEETING
3 p.m. to 4 p.m. - Scheduled Appointments

Please call 645-5742 for appointments or 645-5742 for tour inquiries.

EVERYONE WELCOME!

VOLUNTEER WEEK COORDINATOR

February 3 - May 8, 1992

Community Services is seeking an enthusiastic individual to be responsible for developing, implementing and promoting Volunteer Week '92 celebrations.

This is a challenging opportunity for a self-motivated individual with excellent communication and organizational skills. Volunteer management experience and a history of community involvement is desired.

The position is 17 hours per week for a duration of 14 weeks. Salary is $6.50 per hour.

Please submit resume and three references to:

Terri Ehlert, Community Services Director
Box 340, Elk Point, AB. T0A 1A0
Telephone: 724-3800

Deadline for submissions is January 15, 1992.

If you're involved with the trades, this news could affect you.

Effective January 1, 1992, the Apprenticeship and Industry Training Act replaces the Manpower Development Act.

What does this new Act mean to you? If you're an employer or an uncertified tradesperson, you may be directly affected by changes to the legislation governing trades and the training of tradespersons (apprenticeship training) in Alberta.

For information about how the Apprenticeship and Industry Training Act affects you, contact your nearest Alberta Career Development Centre.

4909 - 50 Avenue
Box 8115
Bonnyville, Alberta T9N 2J4
Telephone: 826-6142

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In Our View

A different parade and such

My stay so far in Sointula has been active, to say the least. After a long and tiring day of travel, and waiting, from 7:00 a.m. when I closed my door, until 10:20 p.m. P.S.T., which would mean adding an hour, the 2 hours spent getting ready and, say another hour before my head landed on my sister's spare room pillow, I was up and about for over 18 hours, so anything after that should have been easy.

And it is. Here is my sister, cooking lovely food for us every day, the always-spectacular view from the west window of the mountains of Vancouver Island, the rolling waters of Broughton Straits between, and after dusk, the sparkle of lights from the town of Port McNeil across the water.

Sunday, December 22, was chosen by "someone" as a Christmas Parade day, or rather, evening. As in Alberta, it gets dark here, quite early on this shortest day, last-day-of-autumn, first-day-of-winter, full moon tucked under clouds evening. We had been up to the shopping centre and seen the poster.

"A Boat Parade, from Sointula to Alert Bay, would take place at 6:00 p.m., judging at 7:00 p.m. was posted up for all to see. We were impressed; even my sister hadn't seen this before, and certainly I hadn't.

We hurried our supper, made sure we had our extra film handy, and for Virginia, an opportunity to try out her brand new video camera.

At a few minutes after 6:00, we were out on the deck, all set to spot the first lights. And lights there were. These are seine boats around 60-65 feet long, manned in fishing season by four or five crewmembers, a tall mast in the centre, a long boom angling out. Not ocean liners, but definitely not row boats.

Over every part they could place them, were strings of colored lights: red, green, blue, yellow. Some were flashing lights, making the boats into sparkling, glittering phantom ships, rising and falling in the ever-present roll of the Pacific's restless waters.

Four gaily decorated fishing vessels passed by, as we waited with cameras at the ready. Eric's V.H.F. radio (used for boat-to-boat communication) was tuned for any bits of information, and now and then a few words came from it. Eric is my sister's husband. He was able to tell us that the boats from Sointula entered in the Parade were the Sea Bound, Western Mist, Western Ace and Island Sun, with Skippers John Aleksich, Larry Holmes, Gerald Sjoberg and Richard Michelson, respectively.

The quartet swept past our viewpoint on the beach below Virginia and Eric's house, and disappeared beyond the curving land, headed for Alert Bay, on Cormorant Island, off to the east, where they joined entries from Alert Bay. The fleet paraded before the judges, at Alert Bay, and we heard the results over the V.H.F. radio.

Chief Ta Peet skippered by H.S. Beans from Alert Bay, was declared 1st prize winner, with Western Ace under Gerald Sjoberg, judged 2nd. Prizes were\$100 and \$50, to be donated to the charity of their choice. A lot of fun was had and a couple of good causes served.

At about 7:30, we saw the first boat of the now-extended parade come out of the dark beyond the town. One after another, ten brilliantly-decorated boats drew nearer and passed our viewpoint, the colored lights sparkling over the water, some circled spotlights up and over us, many were playing Christmas songs, and the sounds of laughter came from the passengers and crews. One of the passing boats was a police cruiser from Port McNeill, joining in the fun of the parade, and the spirit of Christmas.

Shortly after passing our viewpoint, the Alert Bay boats made a circle and headed back over the route to their own docks. For a few minutes, they criss-crossed before us.

Today, we are still getting ready for the "Big Day", so decided to take the ferry to Port McNeill and more shopping. In one of the larger stores my sister saw and spoke to a policeman, who enthusiastically admitted to having participated in the Boat Parade, and predicted it would surely be attempted another year.

Later, on our return, we talked with Mr. Sjoberg, the 2nd place winner, an acquaintance of Virginia's and Eric's, and he also said it had been a lot of fun, and he'd do it again.

While I do hope ou pictures turn out well, I also feel I have a memory of the wonderfully colorful and unusual scene embedded in my memory, a Christmas memory for all time.

Alberta Trails

By Irene Magnusson

Half a century ago

History buff C. J. 'Charlie' Hall has unearthed a diary written 51 years ago in the Angle Lake district, and wishes, from time to time, to share some of the entries with our readers. Hall will not reveal the author of the 1941 writings, but leaves that for old timers from the area to solve.

January 4th- Dad went after a load of hay at B's today. Still cold. Did a little chores today.

January 5th- Sunday. In bed all day. Dad, Ma and C. went to A.'s for a party. Very windy tonight.

January 6th- Little warmer, but 6 below tonight. Saw wood at A's tomorrow. Still have a bad cold but otherwise okay. P. is in hospital from laying in the snow all night. Got tight in town and tipped over going home. Don't know how serious yet but sounds pretty bad. Also C.'s birthday. Gave him set of paints.

(Hall is pleased to inform readers that 'P.' suvived his ordeal, so much so that he is still alive and well today.)

Community effort needed

The Bicentennial year of Fort George and Buckingham House is upon us, with a year long schedule of events which will involve virtually the whole community, and which will bring vast numbers of visitors to Elk Point. To maximize the potential benefits which the multiple events can bring, we all need to work together at planning, promoting and carrying out the details which go into hosting these events.

The very first item on the Bicentennial calendar, last September's RCMP Musical Ride, saw this kind of cooperation. The event was hosted by the Elk Point Agricultural Society, but many other groups and individuals were involved in various aspects of the day, making it an outstanding success and a major tourist attraction. The Bicentennial Kickoff and Christmas Extravaganza was another example of groups working together to present an event which, if it didn't break any cash sales records, did at least bring a huge number of people into town and show them a good time. It's a well known fact that visitors who enjoy themselves will come back, and next time, they will catch up on all the things they may have missed the first go-round, like shopping.

Two hundred years ago, two arch rival companies, the Hudson's Bay and the Northwest Company, vied for the wealth of the region at Fort George and Buckingham House. Each wanted to be the most successful post and to purchase the most furs. This competition did not stop them, however, from sharing a well and the expertise of certain craftsmen both forts did not have, or from standing together in time of need, if fire broke out in one of the forts, or if a native uprising was anticipated. Both forts had their livelihood at stake, and found that they had to rely on one another to survive.

Similarly, we all need to work together to bring the Bicentennial to its greatest potential, so we can all reap the benefits and keep our community viable.

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Our Past

The flu epidemic of 1918 - 1919

Steve Andrishak

Influenza is a yearly affliction but rarely does it reach epidemic proportions. In Canada, influenza appeared in epidemic proportions at least seven times in the 19th century and a few times since.

A killing flu epidemic occurred in 1889-1890. The virus originated in Hong Kong, then spread rapidly through the Orient and from there to North America. The incidence of death ensuing in most cases from complications such as pneumonia was high in all parts of Canada.

Still more serious than the flu epidemic of 1889-1890 was the epidemic of 1918-1919. The virus appeared to have originated in Spain, then quickly spread to the troops in France and was later brought to Canada by returning servicemen.

Twenty one million people died throughout the world from this killing flu epidemic. Of this total, 548,000 died in the United States and a further 30,000 died in Canada. About one in six people contracted this virus. Once this dreaded influenza virus was brought to Canada it quickly made its way even into the remotest communities and thousands of people of all ages were stricken. The older people with chronic illnesses developed severe complications such as pneumonia and thousands throughout Canada died in this age group alone. No one was immune to this dreaded influenza and children of all ages as well as people iin the middle age group were also stricken with this virus.

The virus of this killing flu entered the body through the respiratory tract and soon spread to cause symptoms that included fever, chills, headaches, sore throat, muscular pain, loss of appetite and cough. During the flu epidemic of 1918-1919 there were few effective drugs available which could be used to control it. Soon all medical facilities and personnel were exhausted in trying to control this serious epidemic. It not only brought death but also social and economic disruptions as well. Schools throughout all of Canada were closed, all celebrations and get-togethers were discouraged as well as mass gatherings at sporting events. Even with all these precautions many people still died from this epidemic. Whenever the head of a household died, it created an additional hardship to the family who depended on him or her for a living.

Many families in the hamlet of Elk Point as well as residents in our surrounding communities were stricken with this killing influenza. Many people lost loved ones and in many cases more than one member of a family died. The many who tried to avoid mass gatherings in hopes of escaping this dreaded flu found it difficult to run away from. Some were lucky in not contracting it while others were not so fortunate. In many homes, the occupants had a small incense lamp burning at all times. They hoped this would ward off this killing flu virus, others burned sulphur in their homes for the same reason. This killing influenza reached its peak during the winter of 1918-1919 however it didn't totally subside until late in 1919.

In recent times influenza has occurred a few times but not the killing type such as the one that took so many lives in 1918-1919. The milder influenza is usually treated by giving the patient a lot of bed rest, an increase in fluids and the use of many modern drugs now available on the market. Today, people with chronic health problems as well as those over 65 years are encouraged to receive immunizations at least 30 days prior to the flu season which normally begins about December. The reason for this is, it usually takes from two to four weeks for a person to build immunity after the injection. People with ailments such as heart, kidney and lung diseases should not fail to take a flu shot.

With the immunization program as well as the use of many modern drugs such as penicillin it is unlikely that the world will ever see another killing flu epidemic such as the one that took so many lives in 1918-1919.

What's news at the library?

Now that the holiday season is over, it's time to try out that new sports equipment or work on improving your skills with the equipment you already have. Browse through the array of material on winter sports at our display counter, at the front of the library.

NEW BOOKS

Peer Pressure by Maria Sullivan; how to teach young people to be assertive, independent and self confident.

Home Free by Elizabeth Forsythe Hailey; a story of a conventional middle class woman who impulsively takes in a homeless family and finds that one daring act of caring can change your life forever.

Hot Cars, your ticket to red-hot automotive thrills! Thirty of the most advanced, high tech cars in the world! Sensational, full color photos and performance figures and other vital statistics.

In the book **Staying Well With The Gentle Art of Verbal Self Defense**, Suzette Haden Elgin shows you how her revolutionary system of language behavior can guide you to better health and help you to overcome stress building hostility and develop strong social support network.

The Guest Children by Geoffery Bilson follows the lives of the children as they depart from wartorn Britain to live in many parts of Canada and finally, after years away, return home. These moving first-person accounts tell an amazing story of children leaving their families under the threat of a German invasion and sailing to Canada to live with strangers.

The only book of its kind, **Training Your Retriever** was written by an impatient man (James Lamb Free) for impatient men and women. It's a complete and eminently useful handbook that tells every duck hunter and gunner of upland game, how to go about finding and training his own dog quickly and easily.

A new video in the library's video collection is **Black Beauty** by Anna Sewell. Ride along with this great horse through his struggles with life and death. Meet the Gordon family who love him and share the adventures that make Black Beauty a legend.

Check this one out! A new music cassette in the music collection is**The Immaculate** by Madonna. We purchased this cassette because of popular demand.

In Memoriam

In Loving Memory

Of Donald Lesyk who passed away June 3, 1991

When evening shades are falling,
And we sit in quiet alone
To our hearts there comes a longing,
If he could only come home.
Friends may think we have forgotten,
When at times they see us smile.
But they little know the heartache
Our smiles hide all the while.

Lovingly remembered and sadly missed by Lorraine, Kenny, Anita, Annette, Norbert and Grandchildren.

Minor Hockey Helps Skaters

Elk Point Minor Hockey donated $1600 of their proceeds from recent bingos to the Elk Point Figure Skating Club, to help defray instruction costs for the season. Marshall Moroziuk of Minor Hockey presented the cheque to Judy Bilak of the Skating Club.

Pioneer Circle Bingo winners

December 30, 1991

Ann Stuparyk $14, Nettie Babenek $14, M. Lapointe $7, Olga Sharkey $7, Mike Stuparyk $7, Margaret Scheer $40, Josie Zarowny $20, Lena Stepa $20, Caroline Shankowski $20, Marie Lapointe $7, Ernestine Dion $7, Caroline Shankowski $11, John J. Fryingpan $11, Anita Ballas $11, Kathy Zarowny $20, Carol Bugera $20, Christina Desjarlais $20, Kari Dion $10, Irene Jennever $10, Pearl Zapisocki $10, Walter Yaremekevich $10, Lillian Malo $200, Adella Jennissen $157, Lena Stepa $20, Ann Stuparyk $20, Lena Stepa $20, Ernestine Dion $20, Carol Bugera $20.

Tupperware Open House
January 8, 1992
2:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
4817 - 52 St.
Elk Point, AB.

COMMUNITY NEWSLINE

Al-Anon Family Group Meeting Room 605, Elk Point Municipal Hospital. Wednesday evening at 8:30 p.m.

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Alcoholics Anonymous meeting, Wednesday at 8:30 p.m., Room 604, Elk Point Hospital.

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T.O.P.S. meets every Wednesday, 6:30 p.m. till 7:30 p.m. at the Old Courthouse, west door, Elk Point.

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"Welcome Package" available for newcomers moving into the town of Elk Point. If you would like to receive a package, please call Elk Point Community Services at 724-3800.

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Recycle Your Paper - Paper trailer is located at the Universal Bottle Depot - 5214 Railway Avenue. We take newspapers, flyers, computer and bond paper, cardboard boxes. No milk or egg cartons, phone books or glossy magazines. Please sort and bundle with string or put in cardboard boxes.

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Elk Point Public Library - Monday 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. and 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.; Tuesday 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 2 p.m. to 5 p.m., Wednesday 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. and 7 p.m. to 9 p.m., Thursday 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. and 2 p.m. - 5 p.m., Friday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Saturday 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Storytime- Friday at 10:30 a.m. Photocopies. Extended library services and reliable information sources. Public meeting space available to non-profit organizations at no charge. Please call the Elk Point Library for booking at 724-3737.

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The Elk Point Legion now meets on the second Wednesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. in the Seniors' Centre.

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Elk Point Auto Club - meets at the Empress Restaurant , Elk Point, the second Wednesday of each month. For more information call Ed Smith at 724-2527.

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Elk Point Oilettes regular meeting is the first Thurday of every month. For more information, call Genny at 724-4146.

Church Services

Elk Point Baptist Church
10:00 a.m. - Sunday School; 11:00 a.m. - Worship Service; Evening Services - Alternately held at the Heritage Lodge & Hospital; Tuesday, 10:00 a.m. - Ladies Bible Study (Child Care Provided).

United Church of Canada Elk Point
Elk Point - 10:00 a.m.; Glendon - 12:00 noon.

Bible Fellowship Church Clandonald
Services held every Sunday at 11:00 a.m.

St. Michael's Catholic Church
Sunday Mass, 12:00 p.m.

Bethel Lutheran Church of Lea Park
Sunday Worship Services, 10:00 a.m.

Lakeland Ukrainian Catholic Parishes
Jan. Schedule - ***Jan. 12*** - Vermilion 9:00 a.m.; Derwent 12 Noon; Lloydminster 7:00 p.m.; ***Jan. 19*** - Lloydminster 9:00 a.m.; Vermilion 12 Noon; Derwent 7:30 p.m.; ***Jan. 26*** - Lloydminster 9:00 a.m.; Derwent 12 Noon; Vermilion 7:30 p.m.

St. Vladmirs' Ukrainian Orthodox Church (Elk Point)
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The Addams Family
Rating: Parental Guidance
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Showtime: 7:00 p.m.
MY GIRL
A family film.
Rating: Parental Guidance
Showtime: 9:15 p.m.

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Plays Friday, January 10 thru Thursday, January 16
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WEIRD IS RELATIVE
The Addams Family
Rating: Parental Guidance
Not Suitable for Younger Children
Showtime: Fri. 7 Sat. 7:00 p.m. & 9:15 p.m.
San. - Thurs.: 8:00 p.m.

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Beauty and the Beast
Rating: General
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BRUCE WILLIS DAMON WAYANS
Rating: Restricted

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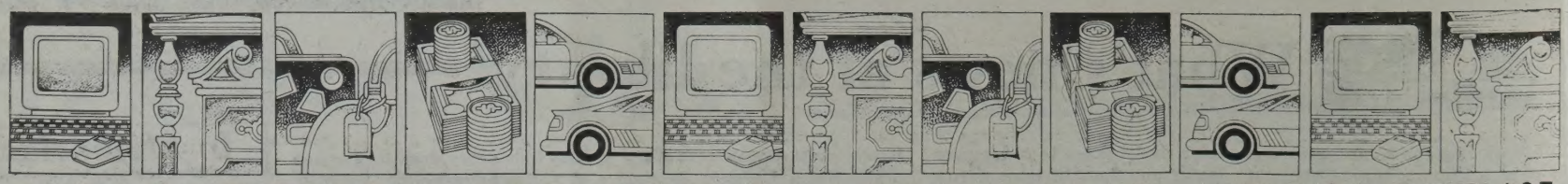

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UNCLAIMED VEHICLE AUCTION of 175 cars and trucks. Jan. 11, 10 a.m., Police vehicle storage compound, 12230 - 124 Ave., Edmonton. 451-0141. Viewing Jan. 9 and 10, 11-7 p.m. 2-1-2

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16 MISCELLANEOUS

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18 PERSONAL

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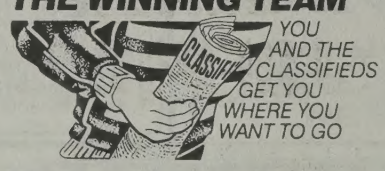

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25 WANTED

WANTED: OLDER MOBILE TRAILER, 40 - 45ft. Located in St. Paul, Elk Point area. To be moved to lake lot. Phone 1-457-5572 Edmonton

Classified Deadline 12:00 Noon Friday

Country vacation farm option

Traditional western hospitality combined with an empty guest room may be a farm family's means to supplement their cash flow and boost local tourism at the same time.

Alberta entrepreneurs are beginning to use their farm homes and facilities to attract people looking for a country vacation or a more unique stop along their holiday trail. Alberta Tourism is encouraging farm families to consider opportunities in the industry, and the province's agriculture minister also endorses the potential of on-farm tourism.

"I think it's something farm families should consider," says Ernie Isley. "Farm families are diversifying their operations in a number of different ways to make their livelihood and way of life more viable. For some that has meant changing crops by moving into specialty crops or market gardens, or trying exotic livestock such as ostriches. Developing a country vacation spot is just another alternative."

One bed and breakfast operator in eastern Alberta agrees with that assessment. "Yes, they're viable because they have been a real success in Europe," says Florence Gannon, one of the owners of Hidden Lake bed and Breakfast near Vermilion. She adds, though, the piece of advice she'd give to someone going into the business, "is not to go into it wholeheartedly and expect to make a living." And, to make a sideline country vacation operation work she says, "You have to enjoy people, or you can't do it."

Gannon says she and her husband, Frank, have "dabbled" in their farm diversification project for the past five years. Besides the bed and breakfast service, they also offer hiking trails, canoeing, trail riding and a small campsite. She still works full-time off the farm and plans to devote more time to their bed and breakfast when she retires. For now, summer brings guests from around Alberta and other parts of Canada.

The Gannons marketing efforts have been fairly simple. There are Hidden Lake brochures at an Alberta Tourism centre in Lloydminster and also at the Vermilion Provincial Park. They also listed themselves with Bales and Breakfast. This has brought them visitors, and they expect more when a highway sign appears on the nearby Yellowhead. Word of mouth and repeat guests also fill their business. One of their many return visitors is a polo team from Grande Prairie. The Gannons see that two-adult, nine-horse guest party twice a year.

"Hotels and motels have their place," she says, "but, if you want to go somewhere where people really want to know how you slept, or what you prefer for breakfast, bed and breakfast is the way to go." She adds Canadians need to be educated about bed and breakfasts and farm holidays. To fill the gap, she is thinking about taking a video about country vacations in urban schools.

Currently there are 20 farm and ranch vacations and seven guest ranches listed in Alberta Tourism's accommodation guide. These country vacation spots, often near smaller centres, are scattered around the province from north to south, and east to west. Accommodation can vary, from extra bedrooms in the home to campsites to a separate cabin or guest home. For the country visitor, the farm setting offers many benefits from getting away from the city to experience the realities of farm life.

Opening their home for guests is only one of the ways farm families can profit from a tourism diversification. "The ideas are almost endless," says Bud Hryniowski, manager of Alberta Tourism's business services regional office in Edmonton. "Farm tours, day-use picnic areas, a camping area, riding stables, a pig or beef roast, hiking trails, bird watching and cross-country skiing are just some of the ways a farm family could use their farm and or their location as a tourism asset."

A number of agencies can help a farm family take the step into the world of tourism. Consultants in Hryniowski's Edmonton Office are one source of help.

The business services unit's seven consultants, five in Edmonton and two in Calgary, offer comprehensive counselling and other assistance to current and prospective tourism operators. Some of those services include: location, market and break-even analysis; establishing financial viability; coordinating government regulation and permit approvals; and computerized project assistance.

"We're there to point people in the right direction," Hryniowski says. An example is marketing assistance. A tourism zone, the department's vacation planning unit and organizations such as the Country Vacations Association and Bales and Breakfast all could play a role.

Farm families can contact a tourism business consultant closest to them. The Edmonton address is 3rd Floor, City Centre Building, 10155-102 Street, T5J 4L6, or, call 427-0778. In Calgary write No. 750, 999-8th Street S.W., T2R 1J5, or, call 297-5040.

Livestock deferral plan extended to producers

Producers in east central and northeastern Alberta who had to sell their breeding livestock because of drought conditions in 1991 will benefit from the extension of a federal government tax deferral program.

In designated areas producers will be eligible for a one-year tax deferral on income from drought-induced sales of their breeding stock. These eligible areas are: the counties of Two Hills, St. Paul, Smoky Lake and Athabasca; the municipal districts of Bonnyville and Acadia; Improvement District 18 (south); and, special areas 2, 3 and 4. Eligibility was based on soil moisture and water supply conditions, and forage yields reported to the Alberta Hail and Crop Insurance Corporation during the 1991 growing season.

"Producers who experienced a drought year in 1991 can defer a portion of their breeding herd sale proceeds until 1992. This is a management tool for producers who are forced to sell livestock because they lacked feed and water supplies for all or part of their herd," says Paul Gervais of Alberta Agriculture's farm business management branch.

Through the tax deferral program, eligible producers exclude a portion of their sale income for one year. the untaxed proceeds can then be used the following year to replenish their breeding herds.

An extended deferral will also apply to producers who qualified for the program for the second consecutive year in 1991. "Producers who took advantage of the tax deferral in 1990, and again live in a 1991 designated area, can defer 1990 sale income for another year," he says.

Gervais reminds producers that they must request this deferral when they file their 1991 income tax return. they can also contact their district taxation office for information about their eligibility.

Alberta's Agriculture Minister Ernie Isley requested that Bill McKnight, the federal agriculture minister, extend the program to eastern areas of the province. The Income Tax Act requires the federal minister designate an area or areas for the deferral program.

The Drought Induced Sales of Breeding Animals program was originally announced in 1988. It allows eligible producers to defer 30 per cent of sale income if they reduce their breeding herd by at least 15 per cent and less than 30 per cent. They are allowed a 90 per cent deferral if they are forced to sell 30 or more per cent of their breeding herd. Purchases of new stock must be subtracted from total sales.

Breeding animals are defined in the Income tax Act as bovine cattle, bison, goats and sheep over 12 months of age. Horses older than 12 months kept for breeding kin the commercial production of pregnant mare's urine also qualify.

Hog prices low

U.S. inventory estimates and a strong Canadian dollar are two factors that will keep hog prices low says an Alberta Agriculture market analyst.

"Low prices have arrived and may be with us for some time to come," says Ron Gietz. "Producers can most likely expect lower average prices in 1992 compared to 1991."

Recent U.S. swine inventory reports show a strong expansion rather than a moderate expansion. This comes on the back of already large increases in U.S. pork production that have driven slaughter hog prices down. Based on large inventories of market hogs of all weights, hog marketings will remain at high levels through the coming fall and winter and continue to exert downward pressure on prices he says.

"The part of the USDA report that is most negative to future price prospects is the estimated large recent farrowing and future farrowing intentions. June to November totals are expected to be eight per cent more than last year, with December to February up seven per cent. As low as prices are now, this report sets the stage for still lower prices in 1992," Gietz says.

Another factor that has shifted the price outlook lower is the continuing trend of a higher Canada / U.S. exchange rate. As the dollar drifts higher, Canadian commodity prices are pressured lower.

Gietz expects average Alberta producer payments for Index 100 hogs at 1.10 per kilogram (dressed) in November, and $1.05 for December and January. Year ago prices were $1.47 for November and slightly lower at $1.40 for December.

A new countervailing duty on live hog exports to the U.S. probably won't have a major impact on the marketplace since the volume of live exports is already low. The new duty will be about $22 Canadian per head, double the previous levy.

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1991 - The year in review

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Elk Point won the right to be the new home of the Northern Lights Library System on the fourth ballot decision over Vegreville. Billie Milholland took the news of the 1992 Bicentennial of Fort George and Buckingham House to the Tourism Industry of Alberta Conference. BIAC funding for promotion of the Bicentennial was announced. The Cold Lake Integrated Resource Plan was brought before the community at an open house. "Be Kind To The Earth" was set as the 1991 Canada Day theme.

APRIL

Darlene and Calvin Kozicky won the County of St. Paul's first ever Conservation Farm Family award. Harvey Aarbo was elected President of the Alberta Cow Calf Association. Elk Point Surface Rights Association celebrated their 10th anniversary and presented a report outlining the many developments of the decade.

Town Council heard from Elk Point RCMP Detachment at their Municipal Involvement Week meeting, and was told about a new trend toward community involvement in policing. Municipal Involvement Week also featured tours of the Town Shop and Water Treatment Plant for interested members of the public. Continued success in responsible management" was reported by Mayor Bruce Kleeberger at the Town's Annual Meeting.

Past Honored Royal Lady Erica Bender of Elk Point OORP was named District Deputy of the Lodge. The OORP and Elks lodges held their joint installation of officers, with Mary Kryvenchuk beginning a second term as Honored Royal Lady and Brian Schnurer installed as Exalted Ruler. Elk Point Lioness Club proudly displayed their newly purchased trailer for storage and hauling of recyclable paper. Elk Point Chamber was once again discussing moving the Tourist Information Centre. Attendance at a local meeting with the Lakeland Tourist Association to gain insight into the advantages of membership exceeded that at a similar meeting in Lloydminster. The F. G. Miller Grade 9 class was honored at Prom '91.

Community and Cultural Centre plans were unveiled at an open house at which $126,140 was pledged toward the construction of the estimated $1.4 million facility. Long awaited funding for the $3.2 million nursing home wing addition to Elk Point Hospital was approved in the Provincial budget. Heinsburg saluted volunteers representing ten organizations with a gathering featuring entertainment and displays. Elk Point Library's volunteers were honored with a potluck supper and an author reading by Myrna Kostash.

MAY

The modernized and enlarged Elk Point Elementary School was officially opened, with the school's first principal, Florence McDonell cutting the ribbon. Just days later, the school's Playground Committee hosted a great fundraising fashion show. Amoco Canada announced cuts in the 1991 drilling program, due to continued low oil prices. Restructuring of that corporation later in the month severely downsized Amoco's Lloydminster office and five others across the province and changed Elk Point's field office into an operating centre. Elk Point Chamber's Economic Development Committee presented goals of growth, promotion and a wish to hang an 'open for business' sign on the business community.

Elk Point Lions Club raised $3800 at their annual Walk For Sight. The Ukrainian Dance Club's Spring Concert featured seventy dancers and was nothing short of spectacular. Heinsburg's largest ever graduating class numbered 17, and chose "In Time" as their theme. Education week at F. G. Miller High School featured a Science Fair, while at the Elementary School, activities included a book fair, drama presentations and public speaking. "Time Lifts A Hand To Wave Goodbye" as 44 students of F. G. Miller graduated.

The Town's new water pumping pipeline was set in operation, and Council was pleased that an economical solution had been found to long standing water woes. Whitney Lakes Provincial Park Ranger Kerry Hope was guest speaker at the Chamber of Commerce's Tourism Awareness Week meeting. The Tourist Information Centre opened May 17 and recorded 56 visitors on the first weekend of operation. Hospital Day 1991 saw many visitors to the facility and a salute to the Hospital Auxiliary on their 15th anniversary.

Elk Point Elks and OORP celebrated their 30th anniversary of service to the community, with Ron Barwick honored for 65 years of Elks membership. Antiques and auto body artistry were on display at Elk Point Auto Club's fourth annual Show and Shine. Elk Point Community Choir showcased their impressive talents at a two hour Spring Concert. Work was underway on a number of improvements for the Recreation Land. A weekend building bee saw three large play structures put in place in the new Elementary School playground.

JUNE

Elk Point 4-H Multi Club started off the month with their annual Achievement Day, at which Robyn Danyluk showed the Grand Champion Steer and Tim Havener the Supreme Champion Heifer. Heinsburg's Grand Champion was shown by Lily Thompson. Seniors Week was a busy one, with activities ranging from Open House at Heritage Lodge to a picnic at the Rec land, to a floor curling funspiel. Two former members, Irene Magnusson and Ron Barwick, along with current members who are seniors, were the Chamber's guests of honor at their Seniors Week meeting. A new seniors residence was opened in Dewberry.

The exciting announcement that Elk Point would host the RCMP Musical Ride in September was made by Ag Society President Glenn Harms and Bicentennial Coordinator Billie Milholland. The Chamber considered making a video tape which could be used for tourist promotion. Town Council dealt with the resignation of Community Services Director Stephen Montgomery and Councillor Morris Cooper. The 1991 Budget was finalized, with taxpayers facing increases of from 4.4 per cent to 7.3 per cent, in spite of no increase in the municipal operations mill rate. Burning of refuse at the sanitary landfill 'must stop immediately,' Council was told. Elk Point Elementary students received recognition at their annual Awards Day. Cora Desjarlais was crowned Fishing Lake's Homecoming Princess.

1991 - The year in sports

Sports, whether on a team or individual level, play an important role in Elk Point's community activities. Gathered from the pages of the Review over the past year, we are proud to present a long list of winners whose achievements have graced our pages over the past fifty two issues.

JANUARY

Curlers Dave Yake, Allan Berg, Don Brooker and Bill Jennissen represented the district at the Elks Lodge Corby6 Cup Zone Playoffs in Mannville. Elk Point Wolverines took top spot in the Rene deMoissac Memorial Peewee Tournament in St. Paul. St. Paul teams won three of four spots in the B & R Bullets senior hockey tournament.

FEBRUARY

Dewberry Micro Novices defeated the host team in the final of the Elk Point Bullies Hockey Tournament. Murray Babcock's rink topped the Lindbergh Mixed Bonspiel Grand Challenge, while Stella Lorenson skipped the winners in the nine-rink Lindbergh Ladies Spiel the following weekend. Heinsburg Community Club attracted 122 entries to their Snowmobile Rally, won by Troy Lorenson.

St. Paul skip Jim Penz defeated his son Steve's rink in a close and exciting final in the Elk Point Mixed Bonspiel. Marwayne Atoms defeated Elk Point Capitols in the Pat Vincent Appreciation Tournament. Two teams from the Elk Point Elks Lodge edged out Vermilion to capture the District Funspiel Challenge trophy. Elk Point Outlaws hosted a nine team broomball tournament, with two Edmonton teams declared the winners. The Pacers' farm team, the Hooters, won the Elk Point Pacers basketball tournament for the second straight year.

MARCH

A Fort McMurray rink skipped by Ed Parans won first prize money in the Grand Challenge of the Elk Point Men's Bonspiel. Clairview Driving Rangers won the Last Hurrah Hockey Tournament. The 8th Annual Oilmen's Bonspiel was a major success, with the Vulcan Electric rink placing first out of 44 rinks. Elk Point Bantam Elks represented the zone at Provincial Championships in St. Paul. Elk Point Capitols won the Highway 28 Atom League championship. Kehewin Silver Eagles won the Frog Lake T-Birds 14 team tournament. The end of a great season for the F. G. Miller Girls Basketball Crusaders was highlighted with a banquet and awards night.

Vermilion United Carpet Novices went undefeated to win the Byers Blues Tournament, defeating the host team in the final. Chris Shankowski skipped the Elk Point Ladies Bonspiel Grand Challenge winners and Leonard Gadowski's foursome won the Town and Country Spiel. Lindbergh Last Knights won their own Oldtimers Hockey Tournament. Elk Point Skating Club's well attended skating carnival had a "Back To The Future" theme. Onion Lake Border Chiefs won the Treaty Six First Nations Hockey Championship tournament.

APRIL

Elk Point Bantam Elks joined teams from all over western Canada at the Value Drug Mart Tournament in Calgary. Ian Kozicky was the first winner of the Alex Kurash Memorial Award, presented at the Minor Hockey Banquet. Leonard Gadowski was the winning skip in both the Men's and Mixed Curling Leagues.

MAY

Participaction was do-it-yourself style this year, with 611 people registering at least 15 minutes of activities. A special track meet for those who did not qualify for the County Track and Field was part of the activities. Students at F. G. Miller tried out their speediest softball pitches against the RCMP radar gun, with some exeeding 100 km per hour. Peewee girls fastball was off and running.

JUNE

Lessard Lions topped the Fastball and Frog Lake the Slowpitch at the Heinsburg Eagles tournament. The C Level Pink Pounders Bantam Girls took on A and B Level teams from northern Alberta and Saskatchewan and placed second in a Lloydminster tournament, later bringing home silver from the North Eastern Alberta Summer Games in Grand Centre . Buddy Bensmiller roared to a new track record at Dewberry's annual Chuckwagon Race Meet. Willie John of Kehewin tied the Elk Point Golf and Country Club's course record for three games as he won the 1991 Championship at the Elk Point Men's Open. A Fort McMurray team, Dynamo Hum, topped the Jan Frisby Memorial Slowpitch Tournament. Fast Company won the Spring Slowpitch League.

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